

NEWS SUMMARY.

EDUCATIONAL.

Meeting of the Board of School Controllers. A stated meeting of the Board of School Controllers was held yesterday afternoon, M. Hall Stanton, President, in the chair. The Committee on Normal School, through Mr. Steinmetz, reported that the condition of the school demands that there should be an amendment of existing rules in reference to the number appointed to each section in the admissions to this school. The committee present a statement, by which it appears that, while the building will properly accommodate no more than 400 pupils, there are now 500 pupils in attendance, and that the next admission will so increase the number as to make the accommodations wholly insufficient.

The report did not contain any proposition, but the chairman suggested that the board should advertise for a lot of ground on which to erect a school building sufficiently large to accommodate all the pupils who may be found to be sufficiently advanced.

The special committee appointed to consider the subject of a change in the plan of admission to the High and Normal Schools, reported through Dr. Nebinger.

It is proposed that the Committee on the High School shall select three male principals, who shall prepare ten questions on each of the following named subjects: Geography, history, arithmetic, grammar, parsing, etymology, defining, and spelling, upon which the boys who desire admission into the Central High School shall be examined; and in like manner shall principals be chosen in reference to the Normal School—the questions to be sent to the principals of the grammar schools twenty-four hours before the examination begins, which is to continue for five days; the average to be 75 to entitle to admission; the age of the pupil to be not less than thirteen years. It is also required that they shall have been at least six months in regular attendance at a school in the section from which they were sent.

A minority report was presented, signed by Mr. Gratz and Mr. Hartman, in which they recommend the lowest average to entitle to admission into the High or Normal Schools to be 65, and the lowest age to be fourteen years. The reports were ordered to be printed, and action upon them was postponed.

A proposition to reduce the average necessary for a third-class certificate of teachership from 80 to 75 was not agreed to, after a protracted discussion.

The Committee on the Revision of Studies reported through Mr. Armstrong that three of the teachers of music had resigned, and recommended an examination of candidates to fill the vacancies. The committee suggest that unmarried ladies have the preference; also those who can play the piano and have a strong voice.

Mr. Milliken moved that the Committee on Accounts be requested to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor as to the power of the board to fix the salaries of school teachers independently of the action of Councils.

Mr. Armstrong read an opinion of Judge Woodward, in which it was decided that Councils have the controlling power in fixing the salaries of teachers.

A motion to so amend as to take the question into Court on a test case was carried. Adjourned.

City Affairs.

About 6 o'clock last night a fire broke out in the Harmonie Hall, or "Deutsches Theatre," situated about one hundred and sixty feet back from Coates street, below Franklin. The building was a high two-story structure of pressed brick, thirty-five feet wide by one hundred and twenty feet deep, and was owned by the Harmonie Club, whose club house is on Coates street, east of the building. The ground on which it stands was leased from Dr. C. M. Griffiths for a period of ten years. Six of them expired on the first of February last.

The hall was built in 1864 by the Harmonie Club, for the purpose of dramatic performances, balls, and literary exercises, at a cost of \$20,000, and was leased by them to the Deutsches Theatre Company.

Yesterday evening *Genevieve de Brabant* was to have been performed there, and the janitor was engaged in lighting the side lights on the flies by means of his alcohol lamp, preparatory to the performance. While so engaged, his lamp came in contact with the side scenes, and instantly the whole of the scenery was in flames.

They burnt rapidly and fiercely, and before 7 o'clock the entire upper story was destroyed, with all its contents, consisting of wardrobe, scenery, piano, over \$500 worth of music, dresses, and all other paraphernalia of a theatre.

The loss is estimated at \$15,000, while there is an insurance of only \$4500 in the office of the Fire Association. The building had been but recently redecorated, and presented a fine appearance. It was capable of seating seven hundred persons easily.

The Deutsches Theatre Company had sold \$3000 worth of tickets for performances yet to come off, and there was to have been a grand fancy dress ball in the building on Wednesday evening next.

The Coroner held an inquest yesterday on the body of John Timony, who died at his house, No. 619 Baker street. Verdict, death from intemperance.

The Coroner was notified last evening to hold an inquest on the body of Edward Elliott, who was found dead in a stable near Seventh and Arch streets.

The annual meeting of the Apprentices' Library Company was held last evening at the Library Building, Southwest corner of Fifth and Arch streets. During the meeting the annual report was read, from which it appears that the library contains over 32,000 volumes. An election for Managers for the ensuing year was held, with the following result:

James J. Barclay, Samuel Mason, Thomas Ridgway, Benjamin M. Hollingshead, Joseph H. Collins, William P. Troth, Samuel F. Troth, Mark Baldwin, Tristram Bowdler, Benjamin Orne, John Price Wetherill, Samuel N. James, Samuel M. Albertson, James S. Whitney, William C. Lloyd, Thomas H. McCollin, Hugh Stevenson, Joseph Trimble, John Wetherill, Jr., Franklin M. Dixon, Charles Harthorne, Joseph R. Rhodes, Henry T. Costes, John Livezey, Edwin W. Payne, Samuel Troth, George W. Dixon.

A large meeting of citizens opposed to the erection of the new public buildings on Independence Square was held last evening in Spring Garden Hall.

James O'Donnell yesterday walked into the Athenaeum, and appropriated to his own use an overcoat, hat, and cane belonging to Mr. John McCullough, residing at No. 627 Spruce street. He was detected while in the act of leaving the building and arrested. Alderman Kerr committed him to prison.

Lewis Croft, hailing from Reading, Pa., had a hearing yesterday before Alderman Kerr, at the Central Station, on the charge of stealing a horse, valued at \$100, from George

B. Kease, Plymouth, Montgomery county. He was committed to answer in default of \$800 bail.

A meeting of engineers employed on stationary engines was held last evening at the hall No. 1349 Ridge avenue. The object of the meeting was to mature plans for the establishment of a society for mutual protection and the regulation of wages.

The meeting of the Philadelphia Conference of Baptist Ministers was held yesterday at the meeting house of the Olivet Baptist Church. Rev. Dr. Pendleton presided, and the meeting was opened with prayer and singing. Reports were received from the different churches, showing an accession to the membership.

The name of Diamond street is likely to be much better known to our citizens in the future than in the past. The street crosses North Broad street, above the Monument Cemetery, and is laid out on the city plan so that it strikes the Park at a point below Laurel Hill.

The owners of the ground fronting upon this street, or at least a very large majority of them, have offered to Councils to widen it to seventy feet, and to pave it throughout with Nicholson pavement this spring at their own expense. All that is asked of the city is to do what it invariably does in the case of opening new streets, grade the roadway and pave the intersections. This the city would have to do at any time that the street should be opened. The owners are ready to do their share at once, and to give the extra ground without compensation.

A large meeting of the members of the Bar was held yesterday at noon, in the District Court room, to take action in reference to the death of William Francis Judson. Hon. William S. Strong presided. A series of resolutions were adopted and ordered to be conveyed to the family of deceased.

CAMDEN ELECTION.

Success of the Republican Ticket.

The election in Camden yesterday for municipal officers was warmly contested. In some of the precincts the voting was so close, and the tickets so "scratched," that the result may not be known on account of the ward nominations until the official result is promulgated. As far as is known the following gentlemen have been elected:

Mayor, Charles Cox; Marshal, Chas. Parker; Solicitor, Alden C. Scovel; Treasurer, Saml. Hufy; Surveyor, Jacob H. Yocum; North ward—Council, David H. Mundy, John S. Read; Freeholder, Charles Watson; Board of Education, David L. Taylor; Assessor, Levi C. Phifer; Collector, Daniel H. Condit; Constable, James W. Ayres; Justice of the Peace, James Burroughs. Middle ward—Chosen Freeholder, Abner Sparks; Council, Charles W. Lippincott, Josiah Hackett; Assessor, Samuel Bacon; Collector, Charles Bender; Constable, Wm. H. Hawkins; Board of Education, M. F. Middleton; Justice of the Peace, A. Lower. South ward—Freeholder, James Demco; Council, Thomas McDowell, George R. Damschower; Board of Education, Thomas A. Wilson; Assessor, W. H. Capewell; Collector, Jacob Daubman; Constable, John W. Campbell. Cox's majority for Mayor is from 100 to 200.

Domestic Affairs.

—Gold closed yesterday at 111½.

—Female suffrage has been defeated in Wisconsin.

—It is thought the Senate will defeat the Georgia bill.

—The Internal Revenue receipts yesterday were inside of \$300,000.

—Early suspension of the habeas corpus is looked for in Ireland.

—Mr. Addington, Charge d'Affaires at Washington, has died in London.

—Latest advices from Winnipeg convey the belief that nobody has been or will be executed by Riehl.

—General Logan's army reduction bill is supported by Secretary Belknap, and opposed by the President and General Sherman.

—Sir John Young, Governor-General of Canada, purposes a visit to the Red river at the close of the present Parliamentary session.

—Resolution having for its object the discontinuance of the State Treasurer's investigation was negated in the Legislature yesterday.

—A proposition for reducing the expenses of printing the annual Patent Reports has been reported to the House from the Printing Committee.

—A discussion arose at the session of the Reconstruction Committee, yesterday, as to the power of Congress to exercise authority in Tennessee.

—In the New Jersey Legislature yesterday, the Air Line Railroad bill was ordered to a third reading, with an amendment prohibiting the sale of the franchise except by consent of the Legislature.

—In his message to the Virginia Legislature Governor Walker shows the State debt to be \$45,872,000. He recommends the sale of the State's interest in the railroads and the funding of all the liabilities except the foreign debt.

—The following were the proceedings in Congress yesterday, after the close of our report:

—In the Senate, Mr. Chandler, from the Commerce Committee, reported the bill to regulate foreign and coasting trade on our northern frontiers. Mr. Kellogg introduced a bill subdividing the public lands in the South into forty-acre homesteads for colored settlers.

—Mr. Fowler offered resolution directing the immediate sale of the surplus gold in the Treasury, but objection was made, and it laid over. Mr. Wilson introduced a bill to promote the civilization of the Indians, and prepare them for citizenship, which was ordered to be printed. The funding bill was discussed, pending which the Senate went into executive session, and soon after adjourned.

—In the House the Georgia bill was taken up, and Mr. Bingham's amendment, to prevent the vacation of offices or extension of terms of office beyond the constitutional limit was adopted, and the bill passed by party vote. One Republican member, Mr. Farnsworth, of Illinois, did not vote. Mr. Ladin, from the Printing Committee, reported a joint resolution for the discontinuance of the publication of abstracts of specifications and engravings accompanying the patent report. Mr. Benjamin, from the Invalid Pension Committee, reported a bill providing that the pension acts of 1866 and 1868 shall not be construed to diminish the pensions granted by special bills. Mr. Stevenson, of Ohio, offered a resolution, which was referred, appropriating \$100,000 for another Arctic expedition under Captain Hall. Adjourned.

Foreign Affairs.

—Admiral Topete continues in the Spanish Cabinet.

—Olivier delivered himself of a very conciliatory, indeed humble, speech at a political dinner on Monday night.

—Baron von Lederer, Austrian Minister at Washington, is to represent his government at the conference relative to ocean cables.

—Eight hundred conscripts marched through

the streets of Paris yesterday to the *Marsellaise* office, where they sang the "Marsellaise."

—A scheme proposing a definition of the infallibility dogma is being distributed among the members of the Oecumenical Council. In view of this, France demands the admission of a special envoy to the council. The Pope, it is said, requires a decision on the definition within a week.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The Election—Re-election of Gov. Stearns—The Legislature Republican.

CONCORD, March 8.—Returns have been received from about half of the State, showing that Stearns, Republican, is elected Governor by nearly 1500 majority—a Republican loss of about 1800.

CONCORD, March 8.—The following is the result in the principal towns of the State:

Amherst—Stearns	194	180
Bedford	99	100
Flint	2	2
Barrows	1891	1705
Manchester—Stearns	1010	1339
Bedford	910	1039
Dover—Stearns	1028	924
Bedford	274	444
Flint	238	2
Barrows	1743	1504
Concord—Stearns	455	895
Bedford	455	895
Flint	589	2
Barrows	44	1114
Portsmouth—Stearns	702	830
Bedford	90	2
Flint	20	2
Barrows	20	2

CONCORD, March 8.—Returns have been received from 147 towns, over two-thirds of the State, which gave Stearns 26,624; Bedford, 17,831; Flint, 4877; Barrows, 881. Stearns' loss from last year is over 1600. His majority last year was 3781. Stearns is probably elected by 1000 to 1500 majority.

The Legislature is Republican, with the majority reduced from last year.

CONCORD, March 8.—11 P. M.—The Republicans have probably elected six Senators, and there will probably be two vacancies. The Republicans have also elected three out of five Councilors.

One hundred and sixty-four towns give Stearns 27,788; Bedford, 15,420; Flint, 5114, and Barrows, 999. The returns so far show a net loss of Stearns of 1850 over last year.

March 9.—1 A. M.—The returns show a still further loss to Stearns, but indicate his election by 1200 or 1500 majority. The returns embrace about seven-eighths of the State. The Democrats have probably elected four Senators.

The Republicans have undoubtedly carried the First, Second, Third, Fifth, Seventh, and Ninth Senatorial Districts. The Tenth and Eleventh are conceded doubtful. The Republicans have carried four of the Councilors Districts, and the Democrats one—the same as last year. The House will show little change, there being probably 40 or 50 Republican majority in that branch.

MARINE TELEGRAPH.

For additional Marine News see First Page.

ALMANAC FOR PHILADELPHIA—THIS DAY.

SUN SETS..... 6:29 MOON SETS..... 0:01

SUN SETS..... 6:00 HIGH WATER..... 6:36

PHILADELPHIA BOARD OF TRADE.

J. C. GRUBB, } COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH.

EDMUND A. JONES, } COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH.

SAMUEL L. STOKES, } COMMITTEE OF THE MONTH.

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Schr. Piyaaw, Smith, from Providence for Philadelphia, at New York 7th inst.

Schr. Chas. E. Smith, Hanson, hence, at Norwich 4th inst.

Schr. American Eagle, Clare, from Newburyport for Baltimore, at Wilmington 8th inst.

Schr. West Wind, Townsend, for Philadelphia, sailed from Fall River 8th inst.

Schr. James B. Moore, Nickerson, for Philadelphia, cleared at Boston 8th inst.

Schr. Orion, Osborn, sailed from Belfast, Me., 1st inst. for Philadelphia, arrived at Edgartown on the 3d, and remained 5 P. M. 4th inst.

Schr. Annie May, May, and M. J. Brooks, Hughes, hence for Boston, at New York 7th inst.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

The Office of Irish Lights, Dublin, has given notice that from the 1st day of May, 1870, the following alteration will be made in the light on Loop Head, entrance to Shannon river: The present fixed light will be changed to an intermittent light, showing bright for twenty seconds, and eclipsed for four seconds.

Also, from the same day, a light will be exhibited from the Lighthouse recently erected on Teaghtagh Island, the westernmost of the Blasket Islands. The light will be a revolving white light, attaining its greatest brilliancy every minute and a half, visible between the bearings N. 3/4 W. round by east and south to W. by S. 3/4 S., elevated 75 feet above the level of high water springs, and in clear weather should be seen from a distance of 23 miles. The illuminating apparatus is dioptric, or by lenses of the grey color. Position, lat. 52° 43' 40" N., long. 10° 10' 10" W., 40 min. west from Greenwich.

Also, that from the same date the Skelligs Upper Light will be discontinued.

All bearings are magnetic. Variation 36 deg. westerly in 1870.

By order, W. B. SHUBRICK, Chairman, Treasury Department, Office Lighthouse Board, Washington, D. C., Feb. 8, 1870.

Notice is given that on or about the 1st day of April, 1870, a telegraphic station vessel will be employed by the International Telegraph Company of the entrance to the English Channel, in from 55 to 58 fathoms water, in lat. 49° 30' 30" N., long. 6° 17' west of Greenwich.

From the Lighthouse vessel will bear N. by E., distant 35 miles.

Land's End will bear N. 3/4 E., distant 40 miles. Lizard will bear E. by N., distant 56 miles. Unst Lighthouse will bear S. by E. 3/4 E., distant 70 miles.

The vessel will be painted black, with the words "Telegraph Ship" in white letters on her sides; she will have three masts, and at the top of the mainmast a large black cone will be hoisted during day-time, and a powerful globular light at night, elevated 30 feet above the sea, which in clear weather should be seen from a distance of 6 miles.

A fire-up light will also be shown every 15 minutes during the night, from an hour after sunset to an hour before sunrise.

From the foremast, either night or day, a bell will be rung continuously for half a minute every quarter of an hour, and for the first six months, or until the 1st day of October, 1870, will be heard every quarter of an hour, and after that date every hour.

The commercial code of signals for the use of all nations will be used on board, to the exclusion of all other codes, and no other code can be hoisted.

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LUMBER.

1870 SPRUCE JOIST, 2x4, 2x6, 2x8, 2x10, 2x12, 2x14, 2x16, 2x18, 2x20, 2x22, 2x24, 2x26, 2x28, 2x30, 2x32, 2x34, 2x36, 2x38, 2x40, 2x42, 2x44, 2x46, 2x48, 2x50, 2x52, 2x54, 2x56, 2x58, 2x60, 2x62, 2x64, 2x66, 2x68, 2x70, 2x72, 2x74, 2x76, 2x78, 2x80, 2x82, 2x84, 2x86, 2x88, 2x90, 2x92, 2x94, 2x96, 2x98, 2x100.

1870 SEASONED CLEAR PINE, SEASONED CLEAR PINE, CHOICE PATTERN PINE, SPANISH CEDAR, RED CEDAR.

1870 FLORIDA FLOORING, FLORIDA FLOORING, CAROLINA FLOORING, VIRGINIA FLOORING, DRY WHITE PINE, ASH FLOORING, WALNUT FLOORING, FLOORS, DOOR CASES, RAIL PLANK.

1870 WALNUT BOARDS AND PLANK, WALNUT BOARDS AND PLANK, WALNUT BOARDS, WALNUT PLANK.

1870 UNDERTAKERS' LUMBER, UNDERTAKERS' LUMBER, WALNUT AND PINE.

1870 SEASONED POPLAR, SEASONED CHERRY, WHITE OAK PLANK AND BOARDS, HICKORY.

1870 CIGAR BOX MAKERS' CIGAR BOX MAKERS' SPANISH CEDAR BOX BOARDS, FOR SALE LOW.

1870 CAROLINA SCANTLING, CAROLINA H. B. HILLS, NORWAY SCANTLING.

1870 CEDAR SHINGLES, CEDAR SHINGLES, MAULE, BROTHER & CO., No. 2000 SOUTH STREET.

1870 PINE PLANK, ALL THICKNESSES, COMMON PLANK, ALL THICKNESSES, WHITE PINE FLOORING, YELLOW AND SAP PINE FLOORING, 12 and 14, SPRUCE JOIST, ALL SIZES, HEMLOCK JOIST, ALL SIZES, PLANK, WHITE PINE, 12 and 14, together with a general assortment of Building Lumber for sale low for cash. T. W. SMALZ, 114 and 116 FIFTH STREETS.

LUMBER UNDER OVER, WALNUT, WHITE PINE, YELLOW PINE, SPRUCE, HEMLOCK, SHINGLES, etc., always on hand at low rates. WATSON & GILLINGHAM, 225 No. 24 RICHMOND STREET, 15th ward.

PATENTS, OFFICES FOR PROSECUTING Patents in the United States and Foreign Countries, FOREST BUILDINGS, 119 S. FOURTH ST., Philada., AND MARBLE BUILDINGS, SEVENTH STREET, above F, (Opposite U. S. Patent Office).

H. HOWSON, Solicitor of Patents, O. HOWSON, Attorney at Law, Communications to be addressed to the Principal Offices, Philadelphia, 110 Madison.

STATE RIGHTS FOR SALE.—STATI The right of a valuable invention just patented, and to the SIGHTING, CUTTING, and GRINDING of dried bed-bugs, etc., are offered for sale. It is an article of great value to proprietors of hotels and restaurants, and is also of great value to every family. STATI RIGHTS for sale. Model can be seen at TELEGRAPH OFFICE, COOPER'S POINT, 10th.

MUNDY & HOFFMAN, SOUTHWARD FOUNDRY, No. 450 WASHINGTON AVENUE, Philadelphia, WILLIAM WRIGHT'S PATENT VARIABLE CUT-OFF STEAM ENGINE, Regulated by the Governor, MERRICK'S SAFETY HOISTING MACHINE, Patented June, 1865.

DAVID JOYS, PATENT SELF-CENTERING